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#16 Request  
for RCE  
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Applic. No. : 09/688,462 Group No. : 2854  
Filed : October 16, 2000 Examiner : Ren Luo Yan  
For : Modular Printing Machine System for Printing on Sheets

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

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1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

2. This request is being submitted:
- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
  - ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
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    - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under § 1.313 has been granted
  - iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
    - ☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
  - iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145; or
    - ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
    - ☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
    - ☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

**SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

3. a) Previously submitted
- ☒ Consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 simultaneously filed herewith.  
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered)
  - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously submitted on
  - ☐ Other
- b) Enclosed herewith is:
- ☐ An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. §1.98)
  - ☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
  - ☒ An amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
  - ☐ New arguments
  - ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
  - ☐ Other:

**FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e))**

4. This application is on behalf of:

☒ Large entity

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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

|                                                 | (Col.1)                                   |       | (Col.2)                               | (Col.3)          | Small Entity       |             |    | Large Entity       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|----|--------------------|-------------|
|                                                 | Claims<br>remaining<br>after<br>amendment |       | Highest No.<br>previously<br>paid for | Present<br>Extra | Rate               | Add.<br>Fee | Or | Rate               | Add.<br>Fee |
| Total                                           | 20                                        | Minus |                                       |                  | x\$9=              | \$          |    | x\$18=             | \$          |
| Indep.                                          | 2                                         | Minus |                                       |                  | x\$42=             | \$          |    | x\$84=             | \$          |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims |                                           |       |                                       |                  | +\$140=            | \$          |    | +\$280=            |             |
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- (c)
- ☒
- No additional fee is required.

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.
- (a) No extension of time is necessary.

**TOTAL FEE DUE**

7. The total fee due is:

☒ Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e))

\$750.00

Total Fee Due

\$750.00

**PAYMENT OF FEE DUE**

8. Please pay the fees for this continued examination application as follows:

☒ Charge Credit Card the sum of  
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§ 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to  
■ Account No. 12-1099 of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A.

**INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

■ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

10. **Instructions as to Overpayment**

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